

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of	)	<b>MAIL STOP AF</b>
Shinichi Takagi et al.	)	Group Art Unit: 2823
Application No.: 09/987,153	)	Examiner: SHEILA V. CLARK
Filed: November 13, 2001	)	Confirmation No.: 6439
For: SEMICONDUCTOR ELEMENT	)	
MODULE AND SEMICONDUCTOR	)	
DEVICE WHICH PREVENTS	)	
SHORT CIRCUITING	)	

**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 7, 2008, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows: